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## ATTACK ON MANTANZAS.

### Spanish Batteries Destroyed. Richest Prize Captured Off Havana.

### Portugal Will Aid Spain. We May Have to Fight the Two Nations. Both Philippine Squadrons Sail.

[Special Dispatch to The Transcript.]

Washington, April 28.—The important news of the day here has been that of the bombardment of Mantanzas. All that is known of it in the navy department, however, is from the press dispatches.

Up to noon the department had received no report from Admiral Sampson about the affair. It is believed not to have been of great consequence. It was probably simply to draw fire from the batteries to learn their number and character. It is not known to have been Sampson's intention to bombard yet, but it is believed he will soon take steps to begin a lively bombardment of Mantanzas.

This action is important chiefly as showing the intention of the naval department in carrying on the war.

Numberless rumors have been circulated of the movements of Spanish ships, and many reports have said that the Havana squadron would be drawn north to protect the coast.

So far all these are pure guess work. No one knows the whereabouts of the Spanish ships now unaccounted for at naval stations. They may be in mid-ocean headed this way, but no one knows. Until something definite is seen or heard of them, the navy department will simply provide for every possible contingency, but will continue the blockade of Havana.

#### BEST PRIZE YET.

Spanish Ship with Money and Provisions Taken.

Key West, April 28.—The monitor Terror captured the big Spanish steamer Guido, from Coruna, Spain, to Havana with provisions and money for Spanish troops, early last night.

She was caught ten miles off Guadalupe, after a running fight aided by Machetes.

Our shot nearly blew the Spanish pilot house into the water and injured the pilot.

The Guido is 2000 tons, owned by the Navigation Company of Balboa.

It is the most valuable prize yet, and is valued at \$400,000.

#### Four New Regiments.

Boston, April 28.—Last night Governor Wolcott received the long expected letter from Secretary of War Alger giving the quota of Massachusetts for the national troops. He immediately replied by wire that Massachusetts would respond with the utmost promptitude and patriotism to the request, and that the war department would be kept constantly informed of the action taken in compliance with it.

Upon the receipt of the telegram, the advisory board of officers was called into session and for seven hours discussed the request. It was decided to recruit four new regiments out of the five existing regiments of the Massachusetts militia. The new regiments will be commanded by Colonel Emory E. Clark of the Second, Colonel Charles F. Woodward of the Sixth, Colonel William A. Pew Jr., of the Eighth and Colonel Frederick B. Bogart of the Ninth regiments.

#### After Yachts.

London, April 28.—A dispatch from Cramond says: "The new torpedo boat destroyer, Destructor, accompanied by the torpedo boats, Barcelo, Havana and Retamosa, sailed Wednesday eastward for Tarifa and Ceuta with the intention, it is believed, of capturing the American yachts now in the Mediterranean."

#### Has Raised a Storm.

Topeka, April 28.—Governor Leedy took action yesterday which practically disarms the state national guard, and there is every indication that Kansas will have no troops ready for service outside the state for several weeks. It is clearly the purpose of the administration to "turn down" the state militia, and the three regiments from Kansas must be made up largely of raw recruits. The governor telegraphed to the captain of every organization directing that all army clothing and equipment belonging to the state or federal government be forwarded at once to the adjutant general in Topeka. This step in effect disbands the militia, and has raised a storm throughout Kansas. Following this action Leedy named five recruiting officers, assigning them by congressional districts, and these officers will enroll the Kansas volunteers.

#### Willing to Be Substituted.

Fremont, O., April 28.—Captain H. G. Stan, late of the Third Ohio cavalry, and who is an expert swordsman, has sent a challenge to Lieutenant Caranza of the Spanish legion to fight a duel in place of Flithugh Lee and Captain Sigsbee, who have already been challenged by Carrang.

Sailed Last Tuesday.

Bayonne, France, April 28.—According to letters received here from Madrid, dated from the Spanish capital on Tuesday, a Spanish squadron, consisting of four ironclads and three torpedo boat destroyers, sailed for the United States

4.30

#### CRUISERS MAY MEET.

Minneapolis and Columbia to Act as Coast Patrols.

Boston April 28.—The cruiser Columbia left this harbor today, her destination being unknown. She started north.

It is thought that she will patrol the coast together with the Minneapolis, which is now in Maine.

Eastport, Me., April 28.—The cruiser Minneapolis steamed away this morning. Her destination is unknown.

#### Admit Several Were Killed.

Madrid, April 28.—Little credence is placed in the dispatches from New York about the bombardment of Matanzas, as they "conflict with official reports."

Later, in addition to saying that the Americans were obliged to retreat, reports admit that several men were killed and some damage done in the town.

#### Still Cruising.

Gibraltar, April 28.—Two Spanish torpedo boat destroyers are still cruising in the straits. They approach all vessels leaving the Mediterranean.

#### CLAMOR FOR ACTION.

Authorities Harassed by Public Demand For Tangled Results.

Washington, April 28.—Impatient calls for action are coming up from the country. The men who are charged with the responsibility of carrying on the war are harassed by the clamor of those who cannot comprehend the policy of deferring an aggressive move until everything shall be ready for an effective stroke. It is the old cry of "On to Richmond" adapted to the time, and the administration, fortunately for its peace of mind, has the history of the early days of the civil war to fall back upon for justification of its present course.

It is not true that the authorities in Washington are idle, that they are waiting solely for the purpose of delay, or that they are loitering along without a plan of action. Every hour of every day has its absorbing duties and its anxious thought. The military and naval authorities are busy with the work of preparation, and it is only fair to allow them free action, unhampered by premature criticism, until it shall appear that the plan upon which they have entered is lacking in effectiveness or intelligence.

Those who are impatient for action are likely soon to have their wishes gratified. Almost any day may bring the news that the American and Spanish fleets in Asiatic waters have met, and the first naval battle of the war has been fought. Commodore Dewey is on his way to the Philippines with

this squadron, and Admiral Montojo, the Spanish admiral in command of Manila, has taken up a position to await his coming. The two fleets will almost certainly find each other before the close of the week, it may be a matter of hours. There is little apprehension in naval circles as to the result of the first naval encounter, for Commodore Dewey's fleet is regarded as superior to that of his opponent. It does not contain so many ships, but those under Dewey's command are more modern and better prepared to battle than those with which Montojo will have to meet them.

Gratifying though a victory in Asiatic waters would be, a naval battle there would be only a diversion in the general plan of the campaign. The great object which the administration has in mind is to drive Spain from Cuba, and all its strategy is being directed to this end. There has been no change in policy. Everything that has been done and everything that is doing looks to the surrender of Spanish authority, and the defeat of Blanco.

It has been the program from the beginning to maintain a pacific blockade of Spanish ports in Cuba, to risk no naval engagement for the present, but to bottle up the Spanish troops until everything shall be ready for a successful assault by land. The administration does not expect to reduce Havana solely by means of a blockade. That would be a task from which any power might shrink; for, meager though the resources of the western provinces of Cuba may be, they yet would be sufficient to maintain the population and the Spanish troops for months and perhaps for years, unless more active measures were adopted to bring Spain to terms. The fortress of Gibraltar, a little over 100 years ago, endured a siege of more than three years; and Gibraltar was a barren rock. Havana, surrounded by fertile though devastated fields, might well endure a siege for months.

The administration, therefore, is preparing to reduce the Spanish forces by land as well as by sea, and it is pursuing a policy which, if successful, will enable the Cubans to gain their own freedom. Saw the Big Warship.

Eastport, Me., April 28.—As soon as the anchor of the big warship Minneapolis was let go in the harbor yesterday, a flock of small craft put off. The officers with great cordiality received the visitors and showed them every attention. To the general inquiry, however, as to the mission of the vessel, the evasive answer was made that she was sailing under sealed orders and that her destination was not known. It was learned, however, from the communicative men that the Minneapolis and Columbia were detached from Commodore Schley's flying squadron at Hampton Roads for the purpose of engaging in a patrol off the New England coast, particularly with a view of being near in case incoming shipping should need assistance or protection, and also to be on the lookout for hostile craft.

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About 25 all wool coats to close \$5.75; a few finer grades all purchased at \$8 and \$10, including many finer coats, \$10, \$12, and \$15, will buy the cream of the stock at this season of the year.

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# AT WILLIAMSTOWN

**High School Theatricals—A Newly Wedded Couple Pursued—Dangerous Symptoms Follow an Inquiry—A Reporter off for the War—A Cat with a History.**

Cat with a History.

Probably few people have noticed the happy and contented white cat whose abode is the river mill, and whose proud owner is P. W. Eaton, realizes that he once had an experience which is well worth recording, although it happened four years ago. At that time Mr. Eaton was employed in Hodge's grain elevator at the depot, and in that building he raised the cat. Fussy was usually left in the building when the day's work was done, and such was the case the night that the elevator was burned to the ground. There was no opening by which the cat could get out, and it seemed certain that he would have to be roasted alive, but two days after the fire the owner found him scurrying in Cole's grove and so wild that it took some time to get hold of him. The cat was "bagged" and taken to the Green River mill, where he has lived constantly ever since. Mr. Eaton supposes that when the fire became too threatening the cat ~~ran~~ through a window like a cobble-stone street to the woods. The cat is now five years old and if nothing befalls him he will continue to add his purr to the music of the mill machinery and stroke his sides against the legs of patrons for some years to come.

"The Jack Trust."

The above is the title of the play to be presented at the opera house Friday evening by the senior class of the high school. The play will be given under the direction of Lewis Perry, Williams '93, and the proceeds will be used towards defraying the graduation expenses of the class. The cast of characters will be as follows:

Lord Jack Townley,

Stuart P. Sherman, '93

Bertha A. Torrey

Jennie Patic, Mabel J. Andrews

Eulis Otis, Old Mrs. Boothby, Edith M. Watkins

Maria, Annie Woodman Stocking

The play has been thoroughly rehearsed and will be presented in a creditable manner. The entertainment should appeal strongly to all friends of the school and the house ought to be filled. The price of admission will be 25 cents; reserved seats, 50 cents.

A Reporter Off for the War.

John Ward, the well-known newspaper man and amateur actor, left to-day Wednesday morning to enter the service of Uncle Sam. When in Chattanooga, Tenn., two years ago, Mr. Ward joined a company of the National Guard which is now called into service. Mr. Ward received telegram, Tuesday, notifying him to report forthwith, and left Wednesday morning for Chattanooga. He had lately been staying at Henry Warby's in South Williamstown, and the change from that hamlet to the stirring scenes at the front will be as abrupt as anything he ever encountered in his journalistic and dramatic career.

A Newly Wedded Couple.

When the 1:32 p. m. train came in from the east Wednesday the attention of the passengers and people about the station was attracted by two young women who alighted and walked forward to a parlor car against the windows of which they showered a quantity of rice. In the car were a couple who had first left North Adams on their wedding tour and the rice throwers had ridden five miles to give the parading salute. The rice did not, of course, touch the bride and groom, but settled against the window and was scattered about the platform. When the train moved on those who threw the rice took a trolley car for North Adams.

Dangerous Symptoms.

Mr. Miller of Cole avenue, who assists Thomas Dunphy in caring for the street lamps, stuck a pitchfork into his ankle Tuesday, making a very troublesome wound. Dr. Hull was called and found that symptoms of lockjaw had developed. These were allayed by treatment and Mr. Miller, who suffered extremely Tuesday night was more comfortable Wednesday.

Horse Burned Down.

Norman Haley's new house in Pownal, above the town line in the White Oaks, was burned to the ground Wednesday. The cause of the fire, with particulars as to the loss of insurance, have not been learned.

A regular meeting of the Franco-American club will be held next Monday evening.

The reception to be given by Williams Lodge, F. and A. M., will take place this evening and will be a very pleasant affair.

M. M. Gavitt will cut down the bank in the rear of his block on Spring street and make other improvements.

The Greylock will be managed this year by Mr. Vining, who was a member of the firm of Boiser & Vining, by whom the hotel was managed in 1886 and 1897. The house will be opened in May. Mr. Vining conducted Hotel Conquista in Ormond-by-the-Sea, Fla., last winter.

F. C. Seaverance has applied for a drug-store license.

A few Chapter Masons went to North Adams Wednesday evening to witness degree work by Composite chapter of that city.

F. H. Daniels has set a number of cut birches and purple beeches around his new house on Meacham street and will seed the lawn.

B. J. Kellogg has improved his place on Meacham street by seeding his lawn and setting elms, maples, cut birches and other trees and shrubs.

Williams will play Harvard on Weston field Saturday afternoon. The game will be called at 2:15 o'clock. This is the first game of the season to be played with a college team.

## OUR NEW YORK LETTER

LESSON OF PATRIOTISM TAUGHT DENIZENS OF THE EAST SIDE.

They Are Coming to the Front as Recruits in Great Numbers—Lafayette Post and Colonel Depew—Las Novedades and its Spanish Editor, Don Jose Garcia.

NEW YORK, April 28.—[Special.]—It is only a few days since the breaking off of diplomatic relations between the United States and Spain, but already a great object lesson has been taught to all who have been alert enough to look for it.

This lesson is that the foreign born denizens of that congested part of Manhattan Island known as the east side are every whit as patriotic as any other dwellers in this big city and are ready to go to the front for the honor and glory of the republic as their native American fellow citizens. East siders may be, and certainly in many instances are, ignorant of much that is vital in the institutions of the United States. Their combined vote, were to be controlled in the mass by some demagogue intent only on serving his personal ends, might turn out to be a serious menace. But they understand full well that whatever the faults of the republic may be it is the land of the free in deed and in truth. And when there is fighting to be done they have no hesitation in offering themselves as fighting men.

This is the more gratifying from the fact that few recruits from among east siders came forward while there was yet uncertainty as to what would be done. All the latter part of last week, however, and all this week so far, they have been crowding the temporary recruiting offices thrown open in east side neighborhoods with an eagerness and enthusiasm which must completely remove all suspicion that they fear to make the supreme sacrifice for the land of their adoption.

Colonel Depew.

One of the most active New York agents for the raising of troops is Lafayette post, G. A. R., the veteran organization of which Chauncy M. Depew is a member. Over and over again this week I have heard men question one another as to Mr. Depew's military service in the civil war, which alone could entitle him to membership in the Grand Army. And I have heard it stated repeatedly that he took no part in the struggle, but was really only an honorary member of the veterans' order. If I understand the facts, there are no honorary G. A. R. men, and therefore the general notion regarding his membership could not be correct. As a matter of fact, he did see service in the times, and this is how it was, as he once told me:

In 1863 he was a young lawyer with an office in Poughkeepsie. He was also adjutant of the Eighteenth regiment of the state militia and had long been expecting to be called to the front. One hot July morning the call was received. Leo had invaded Pennsylvania, all the available forces were needed to head him off, and the militia reserves were wanted, and at once told me:

Being adjutant, it was the duty of Mr. Depew to notify all hands of the call. The regiment was made up of companies in Poughkeepsie and the country round about, and it took some lively hustling to get word promptly to all, especially as the young adjutant had also to arrange for the transfer of his law practice to some one else. The men got their notifications quickly, however, the transfer was made after a fashion, and 18 hours after the call was received all were ready for their southern trip.

The mustering in followed immediately at Yonkers, and the start was made late at night on board a train of box cars. They had uniforms and knapsacks and baversacks, but they had no guns, and they had received little drilling. However, they were men who were willing to fight if need be, and the hurried trip excited them mightily.

When they got to Baltimore, the battle of Gettysburg had been fought, the tide of war had been turned, and the Eighteenth militia saw nothing more serious while in Uncle Sam's service after all than the hurried trip from Yonkers to the Monumental City in a train of box cars.

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Don't forget Satty's fresh roasted peas nuts.

'Swif's Lowell fertilizers, the best fertilizers, made can be bought of T. W. Richmond, the sole agent for North Adams and vicinity. Well-screened coal, wood, hay and straw at lowest cash prices. 31 State Street and 61 Ashland street.

Dr. Charles Dickinson Teffe will open dental parlors in Moore's block May 1.

The spring styles in millinery are now on exhibition and for sale at Wells' millinery store, corner of Water and Main streets. An early inspection is invited while the stock is the most complete.

To Rent.

A good tenement on North street. Inquire of C. H. Prindle.

Stamford Remedy.

Pyrolycious acid, which is made from wood by Houghton and Wilmarth of Stamford, furnishes the curative power of Pyrocure, the unfailing pile remedy. Local druggists sell it.

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OLYMPIC GAMES IN VIENNA.

An Athletic Feature of Emperor Francis Joseph's Jubilee.

A letter from Vienna announces that a feature of the jubilee of Emperor Francis Joseph this summer will be the Olympic games in Vienna, beginning at the end of July. They will be in charge of the Vienna Athletic club and will closely follow the Greek in arrangement and composition. The principal change will be made in the number of contests—that is, the Vienna games will be limited to wrestling, running, quiet throwing and lifting. None will be allowed to enter for the world's championship in the latter contest except he be able to raise dumbbells weighing 100 kilograms.

The struggle for the world's championship in holding up dumbbells will be arranged as follows: Lifting the greatest weight from the ground with either hand and standing at attention, lifting the heaviest dumbbells above the head with either hand, the same when standing at ease, holding a 50 kilogram dumbbell with either hand for the longest time, lifting the two greatest weights at once, and finally holding for the longest time with both hands a dumbbell weighing 100 kilograms. The victor is to receive a prize worth 500 florins and the title of world's champion in weight holding and the large world's championship medal. There will be four minor cash prizes. The struggle for the European championship in wrestling will be in the Greco-Roman style, with a championship belt, 1,400 florins and a title as the prizes.—Exchange.

Expensive Ignorance.

An illustration of how expensive ignorance is given by a cycle dealer, who says that he has frequently had men and women bring their wheels to him with the complaint that the machines were running hard and they could not tell what was the matter.

"After taking the wheel into the back room," he said, "I have found that nothing in the world was the matter except that the bearings were clogged with dirt that had become so gummy that they would hardly move. I simply squirted in a few drops of kerosene to cut the dirt, put in some fresh oil, spun the wheel around a little, took it out and charged the dimes 50 cents. In such cases they go away delighted and give credit to me for being very clever. Well, I am."

Place a circle of cardboard two or three inches high around the tomato plants when set out to protect them against cut worms.

Allow no fruit to grow on strawberry plants the first season. Pick off all buds and blossoms.

ONE OF THE BEST WAYS OF IMPROVING THE FARM IS TO SET OUT AN ORCHARD.

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# AT ADAMS

McGuigan Wedding.

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### THE HOUSEHOLD.

How to Make Picture Frames at Home. Orange and Rice Pudding—Cozy Corner In Country Bedroom.

With a little amateur knowledge of carpentry, a common table, a miter block, a miter shoot, a vise and a few household tools, frames for engravings, etchings and photographs can be easily made.

Prepared moldings, plain, gilt or ornamental, with pretty devices, may be bought cheap and all ready to be glued on. Brown holland to cover the frames is popular with some and is prepared by laying it on a table and putting over it either thick card or a thin pine board cut to fit the picture intended for framing. The holland, which ought to be two inches larger than the board, should be pinned on the underside and fastened securely with glue when dry. An opening is cut in it to admit the picture, and the margin that must be left to turn under is first pinned, to make it fit smoothly, and then glued. The frame is finished around with a narrow bit of molding, painted white and fitted at the corners by means of the miter block and shoot, the lengths for the four sides being sawed off and transformed to the shoot, to be cut at exactly the same angle. The corners must be fastened together by brads or headless nails, the holes for the brads being made with an awl and afterward filled up with a composition of whiting and sizing. The molding ought to be carefully rubbed over with emery paper of fine quality before being painted.

If a molding for the finished frame is desired, the process of preparation is to thoroughly rub the material used with emery paper, then wash it over with a pipe clay and chrome yellow mixture, and when dry to give it a second coat and rub again with the paper. A coating of oil gold size must now be applied and left on for 12 hours, after which the molding must be washed in clean water and strips of gold leaf, cut to the desired size, put on, the frame being freshly moistened for each leaf. Use a brush in pressing the leaf into place.

Burnishing consists in giving the frame two or three coats of burnish size, after which it is thoroughly rubbed and given a washing of spirit burnish.

### Orange and Rice Pudding.

Peel four oranges and slice them roundways. Bring a pint of milk to the boil with an ounce of powdered sugar, beat up a tablespoonful of ground rice in a little cold milk and stir into the boiling milk and stir over the fire till it all thickens. Pour it then into a basin and add to it gradually the beaten yolks of two eggs. Put a layer of this in a pie dish, then lay on it carefully half the sliced oranges, strewing these with sugar. Cover these with more of the rice flour mixture, then lay in the rest of the oranges and cover once again with the rice, etc. Whip the whites of the eggs to a stiff froth with a little sugar and pile it on the top of the pudding, which is then baked in a cool oven. Serve hot or cold.

Washington has been declared out of the Washington handicap, and it is said that he will be declared out of all the big stakes and handicaps for which he is engaged, as the crack colt has bowed a tendon.

### COMMON DISEASES.

Piles, Fistula and Inflammatory Conditions of the Rectum.

The troubles so annoying and dangerous to health are among the commonest with which humanity is afflicted.

We are, therefore, pleased to announce that modern research in medical science has at last produced a certain cure for them and as usual with all great and meritorious inventions, is simple and the only wonder is that such a remedy was not discovered and used years ago.

The remedy we refer to is known as the Pyramid Pile Cure. It is not an ointment nor a salve, liquid nor internal remedy, but is applied directly to the seat of the disease and produces a cure in a surprisingly short space of time.

For itching piles a few applications produce a complete cure, while for bleeding, protruding and all other forms of rectal diseases its use will result in a permanent cure even in cases where an operation has failed.

The Pyramid Pile Cure is painless to use and relieves all pain at once. All druggists keep it or will get it for you. It is prepared by the Pyramid Drug Co. of Marshall, Mich., who will send you full particulars of the cause and cure of piles, also testimonials from every section of the country or if your druggist has the remedy on hand you will find the treatment on piles and testimonials in each package of the remedy.

A trial will convince you that the Pyramid Pile Cure is a specific for every form of rectal disease and it is guaranteed to contain no mineral poisons nor injurious ingredients so often resorted to in treating piles. Sold by druggists at 50 cents.

John Splan, the trotting horse trainer, has bought a runner at Lexington and will race in Chicago. The thoroughbred is a 2-year-old colt by Donatello, dam Eliza Hindoo, by Hindoo. Price \$1,000.

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THURSDAY AFTERNOON, APR. 28, '98

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**A Talk on Advertising.**

THURSDAY, April 28, 1898.

Some years ago, if anyone described a long time of waiting between trains, or a lonely Sunday with a dearth of reading matter, the account usually ended with, "I read the paper through and through—advertisements and all." That was when advertisements were merely plain, dry announcements. Today they form one of the liveliest parts of a paper. People read them and look for them, and the business man who presents his store news to the public in an attractive way doesn't usually lack for buyers.



Stand by the Flag and President.

**ARMING THE INSURGENTS.**

General Miles's plan of campaign seems to be to arm the Cuban insurgents and have them attack Havana in cooperation with our fleet which will bombard the city. The government has concluded to ship supplies and munitions to General Gomez, consisting of rifles, ammunition of all kinds and field artillery, also provisions, of which the insurgent army is in sore need, especially flour, Indian corn-meal, bacon and coffee.

General Gomez announces that if he has these supplies he will have 30,000 well-armed and disciplined soldiers before the gates of Havana in thirty days. During the summer months the insurgent army will do all the fighting, and with ample supplies and munitions of war they will drive the Spanish army, if not from the island, at least under the guns of our fleet, which will complete the work of pacification.

**FORM OF THE WAR LOAN.**

The proposed war loan is to be put in the most convenient form for absorption by the masses. A bill has been introduced by Chairman Dingley, of the ways and means committee of the house, after consultation with Secretary Gage, of the treasury department, which proposes the issuance of \$500,000,000 of three per cent, bonds in sums of \$50 and multiples, the plan of issue being so arranged that subscriptions can be received through post-offices, government officials, banks, or by sending checks direct to the secretary of the treasury for such sums as persons may desire to invest in these securities, ranging from \$50 upward.

There will be no possibility of a reiteration of the charges made on a former occasion that bonds are issued in the interest of corporations and syndicates, Secretary Gage having given assurance that in case the amount subscribed exceeds the amount of the loan, all subscriptions below \$1,000 will be filled in full and only the larger ones sealed down.

Portugal seems bound to Spain by other things than geography.

Contracting manufacturers are expanding the prices of equipments and munitions.

The "Paris" is safe, no doubt. All Europe would have rung with Spanish jubilation had she been caught.

If you can't go to the front, don't stop using your customary harmless luxuries just because there's a war tax on them.

Why the resolute bravery displayed by the "ill-clad stockings" should send dismay to the Populist soul is past finding out.

Swing your miniature copy of "Old Glory" to the breeze. Every store and every residence in the city should be graced by a flag.

**NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE**

**NEW ERA IN POLITICS.**

Present War Will Bring a New Crop of Men to the Front.

**SOLDIERS WILL BE REWARDED.**

Erroneous Idea That Prevails in Europe Regarding Our Military Strength — A Prediction Concerning the Navy—Coming Test of Naval Architecture.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—[Special.]

"There is one thing the war with Spain is going to do which most people have not stopped to think of," said a veteran sonar today. "It is going to bring out a new crop of men in this country. The men who go to the front now and are lucky enough to win distinction are the ones who will stand the best chance to win the political honors of the future. I believe there is as much patriotism in the United States as in any other country in the world and as many men who are willing to go to war because they want to serve the nation in its hour of need. At the same time it is only human nature to think of the consequences to oneself, ill or good. A man has to stop to consider whether or not he is going to be shot or going to lose his life from yellow fever. Then he must consider the opportunity that will be given him to earn distinction in the field and what that may mean after his return home."

"Broadly speaking, the successful men of this war will be the successful politicians of the future. The American people have always rewarded their soldiers with political preferment, and they always will. Evidence of this is found in the large number of soldiers of the war between the states, Confederate or ex-Confederate, who are now in the senate and house of representatives, though that war came to an end a third of a century ago. The civil war produced so great an effect that for many years after it was over men who had not been to the front stood small chance in political rivalry with those who had been to the front. The war with Spain may not prove so effective in opening the doors of popular favor, but unless I miss my guess many a man now successful in politics will soon find himself crowded out by the hero who comes back from the war and enjoys a larger measure of the public's admiration."

The Soldier's Reward.

"This is as it should be," concluded the old senator. "The laborer is worthy of his hire and the soldier of his reward. The men who fight the country's battles should be pushed to the front when it comes to pressing around the honors which the people have to bestow. No matter how powerful may be our policy, there will always be more or less danger of friction with foreign powers, and a nation without fighting men and the fighting spirit is—or indeed, The way to have fighting men is to give them with rations, uni-

The Greylock reservation bill is reported favorably by the committee on harbors and lands, and that body will today see no reason for regretting action which is the first step toward the preservation of the noblest of Massachusetts mountains. North Adams is sorry only that a milder sort of day could not have supplied by the weather department for the reception of the committee.

Gov. Wolcott's decision to raise the state's four regiments, in answer to the President's call, from the ranks of the militia is criticized by the officers of that organization. Would they have raw volunteers sent to the front, or only raw volunteers kept for our own coast, or how would they divide the value of the militia's experience? Or would the officers rather give the orders themselves?

Secretary Hester, of the New Orleans Cotton exchange, in a recent report, confirms the statement published some weeks ago, that the cotton yield last year was something in excess of eleven million bales, which is, by far, the largest cotton crop ever produced in the United States, being double that of 1890, and 50 per cent, greater than that of 1895. This enormous increase in the production, in view of the fact that the United States is the principal cotton producer of the world, accounts for the low price which still prevails for this one article of farm production.

Will the acclaimed weather editor of the Pittsfield Eagle please correct us if we are wrong in saying that Berkshire may count on its last snow storm for the season on or before Decoration day?—North Adams Transcript.

Berkshire has had snow storms after Decoration day, frequently. Sleighing was not enjoyed and the grass was fine or as indeed high, but I know all the same. On the morning of May 22, 1897, five and one-half inches of the "deadly white" on the ground in Pittsfield, and it was eight inches deep on the hills. The North Adams editor will find the spring weather in Berkshire very deckle. He should do nothing rash until after Decoration day.—Pittsfield Eagle.

Thanks! "Uncle" can't have that winter overcoat, then, till after May 30.

Water Cress and Tomato.

The best addition to a salad of water cress is tomato. They are a most agreeable affinity. It is a process that calls for patience to pick the cress and reject all that is not fresh and all stems that are not tender. When they are picked and drained free from dew, season them with a French dressing. Then take an equal quantity of fresh tomatoes, slice and season these separately and put each away until ten minutes before serving, when blend them lightly with two forks. They need no garnish and are a pretty bit of color. If the tomatoes are very juicy, drain the slices and put the superfluous liquid with a vegetable soup or save it for a tomato omelet the next day.

A Box Under the Bed.

Where space is valuable the space beneath the bed may be utilized by having a long, low box made to fit into it. This should have a tight cover, of course, to keep out the dust and should be provided with handles or straps at the sides with which to draw it out. A young man who occupies a small hall bedroom in New York has such an arrangement under his bed, in which he keeps his dress suit and his frock coat. Paint should be taken in having such a bed box made that the wood is light and thin, so that it can be easily moved in and out.

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## Local News

SOUTH WILLIAMSTOWN.

Owing to the bad weather the Y. P. S. C. E. from this place was represented by a small delegation at the quarterly meeting of the union held in Blackinton Monday evening.

Miss Louise Northup was leader of the work group Wednesday evening.

At the business meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society held last Wednesday afternoon a committee of five were appointed with Mrs. Helen White as chairman, to make arrangements for a church fair to be held sometime during the summer.

The ladies also voted to pay the insurance of \$15 due on the church this spring.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. William Sprague was removed from the vault and taken from North Adams to Hancock for burial last Thursday. Mrs. Sprague will spend a few days in this place at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Jones.

John Mann from Blackinton was calling on old friends a few days since. He says that his mother, who has recently been in very poor health, is slowly improving.

Seaman Sweet, who has been on the sick list, is gradually improving.

Quite a number of the farmers have planted early potatoes and peas.

Norman Sweet can be seen driving a fine grey horse for which he traded during the past week.

Bessie Smith arrived home Sunday after spending a week with her grandmother in Berlin, N. Y.

A traveling blacksmith is spending a couple of weeks with Thomas Coddy and assisting in the blacksmith shop. In the mean time Mr. Coddy is engaged in repairing his house.

Norris Burnett has nearly 300 chickens of various sizes and soon expects another large hatching from his incubator.

Fred Hamilton will this year assist his brother-in-law, John Steele, in the care of the Idlewild farm. Mr. Hamilton's mother and sister, Miss Elizabeth, who had been spending several weeks in this place, returned to their home in Sandgate, Vt., Monday.

A number of persons from this place will attend the play "Jack Trust" to be given by the senior class of the high school at the opera house in Williamstown Friday evening.

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SAFETY IN PURCHASE.

# HARBOR DEFENSE AND BASES OF SUPPLY.

## Uncle Sam's Elaborate Precautions For Keeping Off Hostile Fleets. Some Mammoth Guns.

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The subject of the coast defenses of the United States is one which not only animates the movements of the war department under the special supervision of Brigadier General Daniel W. Flagler, chief of ordnance, but it is also of personal interest to millions of people whose property and lives are in possible prospective danger of loss or annihilation from the guns of an enemy.

It will be a surprise to the general public, but the United States government has had in process of construction for some years past a magnificent new system of coast defenses that entirely supersedes the old—a superb cordon of effective fortifications of the highest and most advanced type. It was begun in 1883 under the supervision of General Thomas Lincoln Casey (since deceased), the then chief of engineers. It is these defenses rather than battleships that will protect our ocean washed cities, and no more important necessity for absolute protection can be imagined than in the metropolis of the country.

The duty of the defense of New York will be successfully performed in an emergency by the heavy batteries of Fort Hancock at Sandy Hook, and Forts Wadsworth and Hamilton, facing each other across the Narrows, and even the fortifying of Plum Island, in Gravesend bay, will be a helpful adjunct.

Sandy Hook, from its position at the formal entrance of the outer New York bay, is the most important defensive point and has been specially prepared for the establishment of a permanent battery of guns. The place has undergone a transformation since its only importance as a lighthouse station that renders it unfamiliar to the visitor of former days. The government took possession of the beach for six miles from the sand butts of the proving ground, and for months there have been signs of life and activity previously unknown. Residents of the Hook who could not furnish official reasons for their presence were evicted some time ago, and work was immediately commenced on the new fortifications. It was pushed with commendable rapidity, a large number of laborers having been employed in addition to the enlisted men.

Visitors by rail find a weary walk of five or six miles through New Jersey sand, and the only other means of reaching this isolated spot is by the government boat Ordnance, which makes regular daily trips from South Ferry, at the foot of Broadway, New York city, touching at Governors Island, Fort Hamilton and Fort Wadsworth. For transportation by this small steamer Colonel A. S. Kimball, deputy quartermaster general, issues passes to those who have business there, principally to laborers and others engaged by the contractors who have charge of the erection

of buildings. The officers and enlisted men at the new fort are living in tents, though their permanent quarters, buildings which are models of their kind, are nearing completion.

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finders. The operators of these instruments also occupy protected or unoccupied positions at a point of vantage and communicate their information by means of the telegraph.

The largest gun in the world is to protect New York harbor from its turrets on Roker shoals, where it will rest on a submerged battery between Sandy Hook and the East channel. It is a monster of greater defensive power than a whole battery of small ordnance and alone could protect the harbor from an invasion by Spain's heaviest cruisers. A full sized man could easily crawl into its muzzle. It far surpasses the famous Krupp gun that was exhibited at Chicago during the World's fair of 1893. The American gun is 12,000 pounds heavier and 4 feet 2 inches longer than the Krupp giant. Its range is 3½ miles longer; its shell 150 pounds heavier, its powder charge 400 pounds larger, while its caliber, 16 inches, is one-half inch less. Its dimensions are as follows: Length, 49 feet 2 inches; weight, 128 tons; weight of the shell or projectile, 2,500 pounds; powder charge, 1,500 pounds. The diameter through the breech is 5 feet.

The projectile will fly through the air for 16 miles at the average rate of 2,000 feet a second. At this terrific velocity it is estimated the shell could at a distance of five or ten miles pierce and batter down the heaviest armored man-of-war afloat. The cost of firing the gun will exceed \$1,000 for each discharge, and it can send forth a volley every two minutes. The Gruson turret that protects it is a most effective revolving armament, entirely inclosing and sheltering the crew and the greater part of the gun from attack. It is protected against torpedoes as well as an attack from above water. The gun cost \$125,000 and the carriage nearly as much more, while the entire expenditure in connection with its construction and

lifts, two 10 inch guns mounted on disappearing carriages, a battery of sixteen 12 inch mortars, three dynamite guns, a battery of small rapid fire guns for the protection of the torpedo system, and additional batteries of 10 and 12 inch guns are contemplated.

Mortars are arranged in groups of four, with four of these groups in each

coast. Mowatt in 1776 came in command of a British squadron and knocked the old town about the heads of its hapless inhabitants, but the incident cannot be repeated. Its defenses are Fort Gorges, Fort Scammel, Fort Preble, the battery of Portland head and those on Cow island and Great Hog island. These fortifications are provided

station there and is free from danger by its feasibility of quickly closing its narrow waterways.

Mobile and New Orleans can no longer be reached with the accessibility they afforded during the civil war. Fort Jackson and St. Philip still stand as sentinels to the latter city, but it is the dynamite, the rapid firing and the torpedo guns that on the coast prevent the steering up the bay or river of a sanguinary antagonist. Galveston can close the narrow channel of 500 feet and keep the enemy with his guns out of reach, while its exceedingly shoal waters render it dangerous for a fleet to appear within gunshot distance of the city.

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To All Persons Liable to Pay Taxes in the City of North Adams, Mass., for the Current Year.

The assessors of said city of North Adams hereby give notice to all persons liable to pay taxes therein, that their office in the old district court room in City Hall building, corner Summer and Morris Streets, will be open on Monday, May 2, 1898, from 9 to 12 a. m., and from 2 to 5 p. m., and from 7 to 9 p. m., and all persons liable to pay taxes in said city are required to bring to us, during said time, and at said office, true and correct lists of all polls, schedules and estimates of all real and personal property for which they are liable to pay taxes.

When a person has failed to bring in a list of said taxable property in conformity with this notice, no abatement of taxes assessed upon such person for personal property, can be granted, unless such taxes exceed by more than 50 per cent. the amount which would have been assessed to that person on said property, if he had reasonably and in conformity with this notice, brought in such list; and if said taxes exceed by more than 50 per cent. the said amount, the abatement shall be only of the excess above the 50 per cent.—Public Statutes, Chapter 11, Section 17.

Persons holding estates in trust, whether for minors or otherwise, and executors and administrators of unsettled estates, are especially requested to furnish a true statement in relation to such estates to the assessors at the aforesaid time and place.

When estates in trust or estates of persons deceased have been divided during the past year, or have changed hands from other causes, the trustee, executor and administrator, or other person interested, is required and warned to give notice of such change, and in default of such notice will be held to pay the tax assessed, although such estate has been wholly distributed or paid over.

Any mortgagor or mortgagee of real estate may bring to the assessor of the town or city where such real estate is located, within the time specified in this notice, a statement under oath of the amount due on each separate lot or parcel of such real estate, and the name and residence of each holder of an interest therein as a mortgagor or mortgagee.

When such property is situated in two or more places, or where a recorded mortgage included for one, two or more estates or parts of an estate, shall be given in such statement on such real estate. The assessors shall from such statement or otherwise ascertain the proportionate parts of such real estate that are the interest of mortgagors and mortgagees respectively, and shall assess the same. Whenever, in any case of mortgaged real estate, a statement is not brought in as herein provided, no tax for the current year shall be invalidated on such real estate for the reason that a mortgagee's interest therein has not been assessed to him.—Chapter 175, Section 1, Acts of 1892.

When a statement in conformity to the law above quoted is brought in, the real estate therein returned will be assessed under Section 14, 15 and 16, of Chapter 11 of the Public Statutes. All persons and corporations holding real or personal estate for literary, or benevolent, charitable or scientific purposes, are also hereby required to bring in to us, during said time and at said place true lists of all real and personal estate held on the first day of May 1898, by such persons and corporations respectively, for the purpose aforesaid, together with the statements of the amount of all receipts and expenditures by such person or corporation for said purposes during the year next preceding said first day of May, 1898. Such lists and statements to be in such detail as may be required by the tax commissioner. Willful omission to bring in the lists and statements of real and personal estate as herein required in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1892, will subject such estate to taxation for the then current year.

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**INCENDIARY FIRE**

Two Barns and 24 Head of Cattle Burned in the Notch.

**MAN GIVES HIMSELF UP TO POLICE**  
On Hearing He Was Suspected of Starting the Fire. Had Taken Care of Farm, and Moved Property Away Yesterday.

What was undoubtedly an incendiary fire took place on the farm of Mrs. Walden in the Notch about 8 o'clock this morning. Two barns were totally destroyed, one containing 24 cows, and the other filled with hay.

The loss was reported to Mrs. Walden in this city this forenoon, and investigation was at once started. The circumstances were peculiar, and no cause except incendiarism could be assigned.

This afternoon about 1 o'clock George H. Bushy wandered into the police station apparently under the influence of liquor. He said he had heard that he was wanted in connection with the fire, and that he was accused of starting it. His remarks were rambling but conclusive, and he was locked up.

Chief Kendall learned on investigation that Bushy had been caring for the farm, and has lived in the house there. Yesterday he moved all of his possessions out of it. The man is little known here, but the case seems very suspicious against him. State Fire Marshall's Aid Spencer of Holyoke has been notified.

Near the two barns destroyed were a horse barn and several smaller buildings. These were saved. The two big barns with all they contained were a total loss, however. The money value of the loss is estimated at \$3,500. The insurance is \$1,000 placed through the Gallus agency.

**BIG DAMAGE BY WATER.**

Zylonite Reservoir Overflows. Water Let Into Canal and Banks Cave In.

The rain which has fallen during the past week caused the reservoir at the Mansfield Tube works at Zylonite to fill to overflowing and Wednesday evening the gates of the pond were opened and some of the water let out. The water when it comes out of the pond flows through the canal on the east side of the Boston & Albany railroad, opposite the works, and into the Hoosac river.

The result of so much water passing through the canal caused the rip-rapping on the sides to cave in at many places and did considerable damage.

At the place in the canal where machinery has been placed to turn the water back, was a small building owned by D. C. Cook and nearby is a large horse barn. A man named Carey has been living in the first mentioned building. Wednesday morning about 10 o'clock he became uneasy when he saw how the banks of the canal were caving and abandoned his home. It was gone too soon, for in a few minutes after he left there was a big caving in and the building dropped into the canal. In falling it turned almost completely over and is still there.

The cave in is about 50 feet wide and it will cost considerable money and will require a great deal of labor before it can be repaired.

**Death of Michael McNamara.**

Michael McNamara, aged 32 years, died this morning at the home of his father, Perry McNamara, on the east road in Clarkburg. The cause of his death was consumption which his father believes was the result of an accident which befell him on the first day of April, 1897. At that time the father was sick and in the hospital, and the son was taking his place on the milk wagon. On Union street, near the foot of Union hill, the wagon was struck by an electric car going down the hill. The wagon was smashed, and Mr. McNamara was hurled some distance. He struck on his body, face down, and did not think at the time that he was seriously hurt. A little later one of his lungs began to give him trouble, which gradually developed into consumption. The Hoosac Valley Street Railroad company was sued for damages and the case is still in court.

Mr. McNamara had been for some time local agent of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, and was well known by many in this city. He leaves his father, two brothers and two sisters. The funeral will be held at St. Francis' church Saturday morning, and the burial will be in Hillside cemetery.

**Local Man Married in Westfield.**

Charles F. Landry, formerly of this city and a brother of Edward Landry, was married in Westfield Wednesday to Miss Grace Oliver Everitt. Edward Landry was best man and a sister from this city was also present. Mr. Landry is well known here, and since he went to Westfield has made many friends there. The wedding was a society event of considerable importance. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride, and over 100 guests were present. The couple will live in Westfield after a brief wedding trip.

**"The Idol's Eye" Tonight.**

"The Idol's Eye" will be greeted by a large house at the Columbia this evening. The advance sale has been good, and none who enjoy light opera will care to miss this, one of the best in the country. Frank Daniels has made a wide reputation since he was in North Adams for the last time, and is one of the chief people in his line of acting at present.

**New Inspector of Factories.**

Charles A. Dam, the new state inspector of factories in the tenth Massachusetts district, has commenced work in this field. His first official visit was to the great Berkshire cotton mills at Adams. For the coming two or three weeks James R. Howes, the old inspector, who has been transferred to the Holyoke district, will coach Mr. Dam over his new field. He will make his headquarters in this city.

**MARSHED AT LAST.**

Adams Polish Maiden Succeds in Taking Third Suitor to the Altar.

The Polish girl at Adams, who was to have been married Monday evening but failed on account of the departure of her lover with \$25 of her money, and who was to have been married Tuesday morning to a fellow for whom she had bought a new suit of clothes, and who also dumped, succeeded this morning. She was married at St. Thomas' church to her third suitor.

The man who was to have married her Monday returned Tuesday night and was arrested for obtaining money under false pretenses, and in court at Adams yesterday was fined \$5.

The third suitor who proved to be true after a short time spent in wooing won in this way. He went to a livery stable this morning, hired two hacks, and returned to his bride. She then gave him the suit purchased for "Number 2," and then donned her wedding gown, which she had refused to do until the carriage was made ready.

Now she and her husband are happy, while the first false lover is trying to find \$5 with which to pay his fine. It was a hard task for Cupid, but aided by the patience of the girl he finally gained a victory and the motto "All things come to those who wait" is truly verified.

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**Moseley Will Stand Trial.**

There now appears little doubt but Nathaniel Moseley will stand trial for the murder of George F. Spencer of Hartsville. Every effort has been made by his counsel to have him plead to a minor charge, but to this Moseley positively refuses. He still persists in his innocence and is confident if given a trial he will be able to clear himself of the charge preferred against him. His counsel have made but one visit to him.

Yesterday Moseley's mother, John R. Higgins of Sheffield and Lawyer Warner visited him in the jail at Pittsfield. To them Moseley persisted in his innocence and obstinately refused to abide by their counsel. Moseley wants a trial and there now appears to be no other way out of the matter but grant his wish.

**Mr. McManus Will Speak.**

The officers of the Central Labor Union last night waited on Representative John McManus of Boston, who is in this city with the legislative committee on harbors and lands, and invited him to speak here this evening. Mr. McManus consented to stay over, and will deliver an address in C. L. U. hall this evening on the position of labor unions in regard to legislation. He is well acquainted with the subject, having been on the legislative committee of the Boston Central Labor union before his election to the legislature.

They were met at the stallion, and taken directly to the Wilson house, where they took dinner. Soon after 9 they went to the board of trade rooms, where for an hour or so they met a large number of local people. The reception was a very pleasant affair, and the members of the committee expressed themselves as much pleased with their welcome.

This morning about 9 o'clock, the party left the Wilson in two of Flagg's large mountain wagons to drive to Adams and Williamstown. A number of prominent local men accompanied the committee. The city was represented by Solicitor Ashe, Treasurer Hardenbergh and Auditor Bond. For the local Greylock committee there were Representative Magenis, G. B. Perry and L. C. Chase. A. J. Witherspoon was also in the party.

The drive to Adams was over the west road to Adams, and after visiting the Plunkett mills, the return was made by the east road. The views of Greylock were excellent, and the only drawback was the cold, raw wind.

They reached this city again soon after 11, and C. Q. Richmond and Principal Murdoch joined the party for the ride to Williamstown. An elaborate dinner was served at the Idlewild, and the party were driven about Williams college under the guidance of Prof. Dale and Dr. Bascom.

**Mr. Houghton Reaches New York.**

Ex-Mayor A. C. Houghton, with his daughters, Misses Alice and Susie Houghton, landed in New York city from the steamer Teutonic about 9 o'clock, last evening. Mr. Houghton at once telephoned to his family in this city of his arrival, and said that he felt much improved in health from the trip to Europe. He will probably reach this city tomorrow evening.

**Missing Burlington Boy Browned.**

The dead body of Earl Sheldon, the eight-years-old son of F. M. Sheldon of Burlington, Vt., who suddenly and mysteriously disappeared from his home February 19, has been found in Lake Champlain not far from shore.

Although this discovery explains the boy's death, the mystery in one sense is almost as great as before. The question at once arises, how came he in the lake? He had been happily playing with other boys and started alone for home because his feet were wet. Why he should go alone to the lake no one can explain, and whether he fell or deliberately jumped in will probably never be known, but it is highly reasonable to believe that a boy of eight years would commit suicide under such circumstances.

The boy's stepmother was formerly Miss Lida Pettit of Williamstown, a sister of Mrs. Charles Scott of this city. The finding of the body, and all the circumstances, is a great relief to the family and friends, as the unwelcome truth is preferable to the terrible suspense under which they suffered for two months.

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